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In re Application of Peyravian et al.

Serial No.: 09/459,187

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Please note that based on a conversation with the Examiner, no extension of time is required because Applicant filed a response to the Final Office Action within the two month deadline and has not received an Advisory Action. A copy of the response, along with a copy of the postcard showing that this response was received on January 7, 2004, is attached. If it is determined that a time extension is required, please consider this a

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